

STURDY CYCLISTS OFF IN THE BIG SIX-DAY RACING CONTEST.

Over a Score-and-a-half Starters in the Race at Madison Square Garden.

IT BEGAN AT MIDNIGHT. Several of the Contestants Are Married and Another Expects to Be.

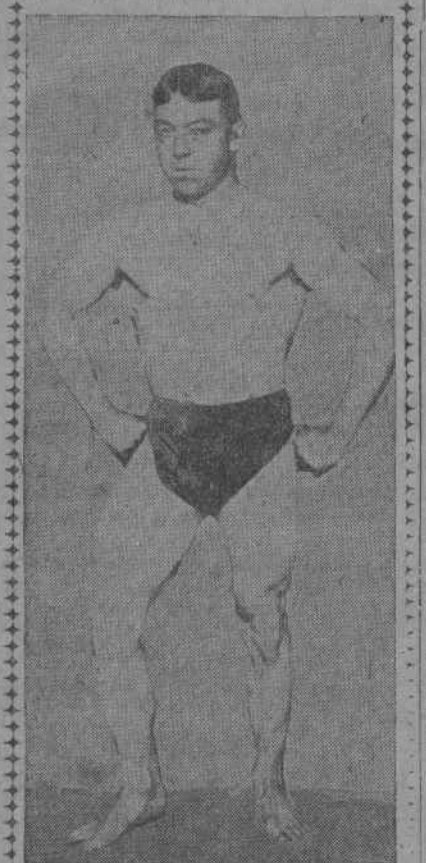
A pistol cracked in Madison Square Garden last night as the hands of the big clock pointed to 12. Before the smoke of it disappeared men on bicycles sped away from a starting



mark like a flash of lightning, and they would develop in the training, and they were carried away. Wagoners, based on the wings of the wind, his cheeks glowing with health, his eyes blazed with confidence and hope. He was riding not only for new laurels, but also for the maid of his

Men with slowly waning joints and eyes like red knots in a board fence will receive the plaudits of the crowd. On their faces the eloquent lines of sleeplessness and pain will be watched and recorded. They will travel until they win or fall out and are carried away. Wagoners, based on the wings of the wind, his cheeks glowing with health, his eyes blazed with confidence and hope. He was riding not only for new laurels, but also for the maid of his

The wooden track rumbled. Its slopes



Fred Forster.
(Photo by John Wood.)

Joseph Rice.

reverberated. The air was full of those little metallic clicks peculiar to flying bicycles. Overhead the great argyle lights flared, in floods of golden rays. Around the huge oval where the racers were whirling there was a dense fringe of men, howling encouragement to their favorites. "Go it, Ted!" "Go it, Jimmy!" "Hurrah for old boy Rice!" they cried.

Self-Torture Draws.

The glory of self-torture always draws a crowd. Spectators will continue to come miles to see the six-day races at Madison Square Garden. Anguish means dollars. Should one of the men rave in delirium as he rides, the gate receipts will be increased. There seems to be a fascination in it for riders, as well as for spectators. The crowd drifted in slowly and phlegmatically. The first night of a six-day race is never a wild hilarious event. The tickled in the slot machines ground out their money-grant, the bar clattered and tinkled and thawed, and the time passed slowly by.

A race like this always appeals to the tenderloin, and it was the tenderloin that crowded the open oval in the center of the track. At 9 o'clock there were 2,000 people in the Garden. The open square in the center, around which the racers were to speed, was filled with all sorts of catchenny devices. There were weighing machines, candy bazaars, pop-corn booths, electric machines and musical devices.

Around these the crowd swarmed, filling itself with electricity, pop corn and music. French-looking girls, with high heels, wandered around aimlessly after the fashion of a comic opera chorus. Now and then a band played selections from "Tubel," "Garmen," "Tanzhauser" or "Mazurka." At 10 o'clock the Garden was rumbling with the rapidly arriving crowd. Up to this time none of the racers had put in an appearance.

Out in the dressing room Dr. Flvey, the physician engaged by the management, was examining the men. "There is not an unsound man among them," he said. "If any trouble develops in any man he will be removed at once. There is no danger in this thing and no brutality. All the men have trained for months, and are as hard as nails. If they had heart affect-



Start of the Six-Day Bicycle Race.

Scene at Madison Square Garden just after midnight this morning, when over a score and a half of professional cyclists entered up a week's endurance contest.

VIEWS OF AN EXPERT TOLD TO THE JOURNAL.

By Teddy Edwards.

At 1 a. m. the whil was at its height. Numerous dark horses were hanging tensely to the rear wheel of first one of the big men, then another. They jumped in and out from one to another according as they judged the leader to be. It was a most interesting study of form, but little could be learned from the early casual glance.

One thing I found after less than an hour's investigation. Every man in the great contest is in the very best of condition. This was apparent in the manner of work carried on, by the great speed followed so easily, with never a distressing look for a single moment, apparently. How different these men will look a day from now—two days, three, four, five and six, when they finish their grand ride.

Century riding, day after day, was my forte. Continuous riding they called it. But I finished when one century was done in one day. These men will pile up one, then two, then three, then four, and probably twenty-two almost without stop and sleep.

Yet they will be all right within twenty-four hours after they finish, no matter how hard the race, just as I was all right the next day after my hardest ride.

In the early stages of the race I found much to interest in the many ladies who are fighting for money and glory. Mrs. Schinner was in the depths below, aproned and busy as a housewife in the little kitchen rigged up in one of the many horse stalls. There was little for this lovely bride of four months to do so early in the race. Her lord, who was tearing around the track above, was not hungry yet. As the race progresses he will demand food in large quantities, and it is the fiddler which will save that she is preparing so earnestly. Mrs. Schinner will be in almost constant attendance. Yesterday she received a letter from four young ladies of New York who wanted information regarding the colors of Fred in the contest. Schinner received the letter himself, and, like a dutiful "hubby," turned it over to his better half to answer. "I did so," said she, with a smile; "and why not? For admiration for Fred is only natural. Should he not receive it I should believe my judgment bad."

Frank Waller was as cranky yesterday as ever he was in his life, according to Mrs. Waller, who is in attendance upon him at all times. Frank's little children, Frank, Jr., and a youngster of one, are in the care of a nurse, and he is looked after at the track by Gray and King Ryan, who bring up the hot food from the little kitchen in the basement as it is prepared by Mrs. Waller.

"I never saw such a crank as that husband of mine," said the little lady. "Why he is something terrible, and when 'Dutch' is that way I know that he is in condition. He will run it out before the week ends."

Charlie Miller was petted the long day by his affianced, Miss Hanson, who occupies a box and allows Mr. West to do the cooking. Miss Hanson believes with Mr. West, that her encouragement from being at the trackside always will do much good and far more than slavery in the depths where Mr. West prepares the food himself.

Mrs. Groose, Mrs. Beacom and others watched their husbands from the boxes, and may take a hand in the care of them on the lines of Mrs. Schinner and Mrs. Waller.

One thing I found interesting was the preparations of some of the riders to help nature. Waller is covered—simply covered—with medicinal plasters, and Teddy Hale is trying new medicinal arrangements which he is keeping secret. Hale has had little training other than home trainer work, which he did on the stages of the London music halls and a little work at Peter Golden's academy, in this city.

Very few freak handle bars are seen in the early stages of the race, although they may come in later on in the week. Miller made it sort of fashionable last year to ride with a regularly outfitted wheel, saddle, without pads, handle bars of one kind and no upright for support when tired.

Fred Schinner says, "No sir," to the proposition, for he says that when the support was on his wheel last year he was so tired that he decided to sleep. Most of the men have decided that speed beats endurance, and their early decision is seemingly to get off and sleep when it is necessary and make up for lost time by improved speed when they remount. There are no freak machines of any nature in the contest. The men are riding straight bicycles.

MARITIME NEWS.

OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS.

SAIL TODAY.

Semaphore, Charleston, 11:30 a. m. 11:30 a. m.

Hedvig, Pernambuco, 11:30 a. m. 11:30 a. m.

Scottish Prince, Rio, 12:00 p. m. 12:00 p. m.

Schiller, Barbados, 12:00 p. m. 12:00 p. m.

SAIL TOMORROW.

Lahn, Bremen, 7:00 a. m. 10:00 a. m.

Excelsior, New Orleans, 7:00 a. m. 10:00 a. m.

SAIL WEDNESDAY.

St. Louis, Southampton, 7:00 a. m. 10:00 a. m.

Britannia, Liverpool, 9:00 a. m. 12:00 p. m.

Northland, Antwerp, 10:30 a. m. 12:00 p. m.

Massachusetts, Havana, 10:30 a. m. 12:00 p. m.

Irishman, Genoa, 12:00 p. m. 12:00 p. m.

Additional supplementary mails are opened after the closing of the regular supplementary mails—on the lines of American, Great Britain and German.

Lines and they are kept open until within ten minutes of the time of departure of steamships.

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS.

DECEMBER 5.

Sahara, Gibraltar, Nov. 12.

Obidene, Paris, Nov. 17.

Massachusetts, Liverpool, Nov. 17.

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TRUNK LINES IN FINE CONTROL.

Plans Under Way Which Will Prevent Rate Cutting, Which Now Prevents Profitable Business.

Notwithstanding the heavy increase in East bound trunk line tonnage, the earnings of these roads for October showed a loss as compared with last year. The cause is, of course, the cutting of rates, which, very extensive even before the Joint Traffic Association disbanded, after being declared illegal by the United States Supreme Court. Heretofore the cut in rates has been done secretly, but now the shading of transportation charges is more open. On the Produce Exchange, during the closing days of last week, all rail rates on grain from Duluth to the seaboard were offered at 10 cents per hundred weight, equal to a cent a bushel. There cannot possibly be any profit in business accepted at this price. As lake navigation has just closed and the all rail season simply begun, such competition will enable the trunk lines to show good earnings, despite their enormous business.

K. Vanderbilt, the astute head of the Vanderbilt railway system, appreciates the situation, and already plans are perfected which will entirely alter existing conditions. There is open talk among shippers of a compact which has been entered into between Mr. Vanderbilt and President Thompson, of the Pennsylvania system, which would have these dominating roads will compel weaker lines to refrain from rate cutting. When the Baltimore & Ohio is taken out of the hands of receivers it will no longer continue as a disturbing factor among the trunk lines. It will not be before this is accomplished that the agreement between the New York Central and the Pennsylvania roads will become operative.

The situation will then be more simple. J. H. Wheeler, a powerful ally of a railway manager has made the Great Northern one of the best paying roads in the country, will have much to say concerning the management of the Baltimore & Ohio. He abhors rate cuts, and only adopts such tactics as retaliatory measures against competitors. J. Thompson Morgan will also have a hand in the Baltimore & Ohio through his reorganization interest. This property will then be no longer in the doubtful column. The Erie, Lehigh Valley and Ontario & Western—which now exchanges traffic with the Wabash—are practically controlled by Mr. Morgan. The latter line is under the thumb through his English connections. It will thus be seen that Messrs. Vanderbilt, Thompson, Hill and Morgan will be able to effect a general campaign which will keep the trunk lines in the straight and narrow path.

The Lackawanna is not included in the plan. It is one of the most frequent "shiners," both in through freight and passenger traffic and in the anthracite coal trade. It must be bottled up in order to effect a general campaign. Here the Vanderbilts again step in and assume the responsibility. They all receive a large interest in the Lackawanna. Its capital is only \$22,000,000, making control easy. It is understood that through an exchange of stock the Lackawanna will become a part of the Vanderbilt system on a similar basis to the recent absorption of the Lake Shore.

While these plans were being evolved the attempt of the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf and the Brice-Thomas syndicate to secure control of the Chicago & Alton was a promise of upsetting everything. In conjunction with the Ohio lines of Mr. Brice, the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh and the New York Central, a new trunk line extending from the Gulf of Mexico through Kansas City and Chicago to New York was the plan. If the road of the project were successful. That they have failed thus far is due to the interference of W. K. Vanderbilt, who is to any extent a divider. The proposed line would be a menace to the New York Central system on one side and the Pennsylvania on the other. It cannot be said that the whole project is now up in the air, but it certainly looks as if a balloon was in waiting for its pop.

The Chicago & Alton, for sale at a price. It would not do for the road to be taken up as an absolute essential portion of the trunk line from a Vanderbilt standpoint. It may be in order to prevent the consummation of such a project, the Vanderbilts will be compelled to take the road themselves. It does not appear to be a bad investment. The Vanderbilts have no Kansas City connection. This open road the Southwestern affords a splendid railway business. How the matter will terminate is a subject of great interest in railway circles, as it is known that the Vanderbilts are now considering the acquisition of the Chicago & Alton. One of the first steps will be the reorganization of the line, and the issue of stock, which is the present preferred and common stock, of which receive 7 per cent annual dividends.

The relatively better returns of the Western roads as compared with the Eastern and the trunk lines is shown in the following table of earnings for October, as compiled by Dun's Review:

October.	1893.	1892.	Per Cent.
Trunk	\$22,933,230	\$21,269	10.6
Atchafalpa, Conn.	11,059,465	10,400,400	5.6
Central	8,340,176	7,815,316	6.6
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Southern	7,755,487	7,025,626	10.4
W. Va.	10,527,488	9,772,181	8.5
Pacific	10,527,488	9,772,181	8.5
P. S.	\$22,300,425	\$20,498,207	9.3
Canadian	2,055,000	1,950,000	5.1
Michigan	2,510,700	2,107,877	19.0
Total	\$37,525,780	\$34,775,076	7.9

Let the stock market prices are generally higher, in the bulk of extensive realizing the market has been firm, with English investors buying back stocks which they sold on the announcement of the engagement of \$1,000,000 in gold from the Bank of England for shipment to this country. Transfers made in the last month were phenomenal, aggregating \$105,000,000 for the month of November, far in excess of any previous record. Investors continue to buy the gift edge stocks in addition to bonds, and are locking them up in their strong boxes. The balance due this country from last month's export trade exceeded \$80,000,000. Bank clearances were larger than ever before and domestic trade gave indications of unusual activity. Arrivals of goods from the West included were 6,128,055 bushels, as compared with 4,187,432 bushels last year.

YOUNG BANKER'S BIG PROMOTION.

William H. Porter to Be Vice-President of the Chemical National Bank.

William H. Porter, now vice-president of the Chase National Bank, will after January 1 become the active vice-president of the Chemical National Bank.

The latter bank has never had an active vice-president, but its business has grown so large of late that George B. Williams, the veteran president of the bank, finds it difficult to handle it.

The selection of Mr. Porter for the place was made by Mr. Williams. Mr. Porter went to the Chase from the Fifth Avenue Bank, which has given more officers to the other banks than any other institution in the city. He is a young man, who has attained considerable prominence in banking circles. The new post carries with it a handsome increase in salary.

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